PUBLIC WORKS SECRETARIAT.

Kadaba Tank.

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Representation from Mr. Ranga Iyengar of Tumkur, about the necessity for proper distribution of water to lands under Kadaba Tank, Gubbi Taluk.

2. Letter No. M. 2237, dated 12th March 1932, from the Superintending Engineer, Mysore Circle, forwarding a set of rules drawn up by the Public Works Sub-Division Officer, Gubbi Sub-Division, in consultation with the Amildar of Gubbi Taluk and the leading atchkatdars interested therein.

3. Letter No. D. D. 361—32-33, dated the 23rd August 1932, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, suggesting certain modifications in the draft set of rules.

ORDER NO. 795-98—S. DATED, BANGALORE 18TH OCTOBER 1932.

Government are pleased to sanction the set of rules annexed in this order. The effect of the strict application of these rules should be reported after working them for two irrigation seasons.

M. G. RANGAIYA,
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

ANNEXURE.

THE FOLLOWING RULES ARE ISSUED FOR THE CONSERVATION AND PROPER DISTRIBUTION OF WATER UNDER KADABA TANK.

1. In these rules the 'Raiyats' shall mean and include the registered occupant, owner, hissedar, lessee and cultivator.

2. Water will be supplied only for one crop in the year. The head sluices will be opened generally about 25th of January and closed by 30th June, the right or lower level sluice being always opened 20 days later than the left sluice.

3. Only paddy should be generally grown on wet lands, but in the case of raiyats intending to grow sugarcane, previous permission of the Assistant Engineer shall be obtained. The permission will generally be given if a fairly compact area of not less than 20 acres in any one mile of the channel is proposed to be cultivated with sugarcane. Sugarcane cultivation will be restricted to only half the length of the channel in each year by turns. In the case of sugarcane grown without obtaining the permission as required above, the Department will not be responsible to supply water to it after the irrigation season.

4. In the case of garden lands, intermittent supply will be given generally once a month for lands situated under the first 2 miles of the channel only during the off-season. No water can be given for garden lands scattered here and there beyond the second mile as the area is small and the wastage will be enormously heavy. They depend on other sources of irrigation, such as, wells and hallas.

5. In order to supply water to wet lands at the tail end it is absolutely necessary to close some Madaboys completely and keep some of them about half open during nights. This will be adopted in actual distribution.

6. If there is general rainfall in the tract during the irrigation season, the supply of water from the tank will be stopped for such period as in which the standing crops do not require supplementing by the tank water.

7. All the raiyats should co-operate and make the best use of the water for seeding and cultivation simultaneously, no sooner the water is let into the channel.

8. The raiyats who begin seeding untimely are not entitled to get water in preference to others and the Department will not be responsible for the loss of such crops.

9. The raiyats concerned should maintain branch channels or hikkals in such manner as may be required by the Public Works Department. In case of default by any individual in the execution of his obligations, the Patel is empowered and required to carry out the portion of the work that ought to have been done by the defaulter, by paid labour, the cost being recovered from the defaulter as a revenue demand.

10. In years of scanty supply of water, the lands under the right channel, *ane hantha* and left channel will be entitled to each year to the supply by turns.

11. No bund or any temporary obstruction of any kind should be put up, without the written permission of the Department. In the case of unauthorised cross bunds the first raiyat who gets the benefit of such obstruction will be primarily held responsible, as it is impossible for the Department to trace the offender and it is the look out of the first raiyat to prevent such obstructions.

12. These rules are subject to modifications whenever the Executive Engineer and the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, jointly consider that such a departure is necessary in the interests of an equitable distribution of water.